

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS 701 S. COURTHOUSE ROAD, SUITE 1001 ARLINGTON, VA 22204-2490

> Docket No. 2293-24 Ref: Signature Date



Dear

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to Section 1552 of Title 10, United States Code. After careful and conscientious consideration of relevant portions of your naval record and your application, the Board for Correction of Naval Records (Board) found the evidence submitted insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice. Consequently, your application has been denied.

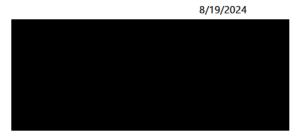
A three-member panel of the Board, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 13 August 2024. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, relevant portions of your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations, and policies. In addition, the Board considered the advisory opinion contained in Commander, Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) letter 5420 Ser SUP 04/039 of 2 May 2024, which was previously provided to you for comment.

You requested to be approved for a waiver of indebtedness amounting to \$6,999.68 related to the collection for the shipment of household goods, the Board in its review of your entire record and application, carefully weighed all potentially mitigating factors, to include your assertions. You assert that the absence of direct counseling left you uninformed about the correct procedures for labeling and segregating professional gear, which ultimately should not have been included in the total weight calculation. However, the Board concluded that NAVSUP reviewed your case and worked with you to identify your Professional Books, Papers, and Equipment (PBP&E) on your inventory sheets. Navy Household Goods Audit Office re-audited your move, crediting you with 1,995 pounds for PBP&E, lowering your debt from \$6,999.68 to \$3,497.21. The Board determined that professional gear has been properly accounted for and the debt has been adjusted, however in accordance with the Joint Travel Regulations,<sup>1</sup> you are financially

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Government may pay the total transportation cost and other applicable charges for any weight that exceeds the weight allowance. The Government must collect the excess costs from the Service member. A Service member must repay the Service for the cost of transporting his or her Household Goods in excess of the specified weight allowance, unless there is specific authorization for an increased weight allowance, limited to 18,000 pounds.

responsible for the remaining excess cost. Recommend you complete a DD Form 2789, Remission of Indebtedness Application and submit it to the Chief of Naval Personnel (N130C) if this debt creates a financial hardship for you. In this connection, the Board substantially concurred with the comments contained in the advisory opinion.

You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new matters, which will require you to complete and submit a new DD Form 149. New matters are those not previously presented to or considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.



Sincerely,